

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending and stand rejected as being anticipated by Vu (USP 5,623,601).

The independent claims have been amended to more particularly point out the multi-homing web server nature of the claims. Additionally, the specification has been amended to remove extraneous priority information.

In particular, the independent claims have been amended to recite that the virtual hosts of the present web server each provide an independent and distinct home through which web services may be provided. For example, the Specification provides:

[0011] The present invention, generally speaking, provides a Web server having a multi-homed, modular framework. The modular framework allows extensions to the Web server to be easily compiled into the Web server, allowing the extensions to run natively as part of the server instead of incurring the overhead typical of CGI scripts, for example. The multi-homing capabilities of the Web server provide the appearance to Web users of multiple distinct and independent servers, allowing a small company or individual to create the same kind of Web presence enjoyed by larger companies. In effect, multiple virtual servers run on the same physical machine. The Web server as a whole is easily extensible to allow additional capabilities to be provided natively within the Web server itself. Furthermore, each virtual server is independently configurable in order to turn different capabilities on or off or to modify operation of the virtual server. The Web server is also provided with enhanced security features, built-in animation capability, and other features that afford maximum flexibility and versatility.

Thus, through the use of the present invention as claimed, a single web server machine may be said to be “multi-homed” and provide for multiple web servers running on the single machine.

It is respectfully submitted that Vu does not teach or suggest the limitations of the pending claims. It is respectfully requested that the instant application be reconsidered in view of the Amendment and Remarks contained herein and the instant case be allowed.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this application or this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at 775-848-5624.

Respectfully submitted,  
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